

Applicant respectfully requests that this Response to Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment be entered into the record and considered by the Examiner with Response to First Office Action filed by Applicant on August 8, 2001. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned with any additional questions or requirements.

Respectfully submitted,

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